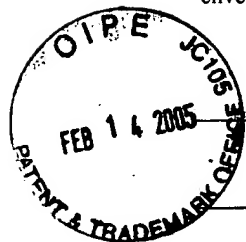


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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:

Ioannis Pallikaris et al.

Serial No: 09/911,356

Examiner: Victor X. Nguyen

Filed: July 23, 2001

Group Art Unit: 3731

For: DEVICE FOR SEPARATING  
THE EPITHELIUM LAYER  
FROM THE SURFACE OF THE  
CORENEA OF AN EYE

**PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (37 CFR § 1.136(a))**

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Dear Sir:

This is a petition for an extension of the time to respond to Office Action dated October 20, 2004 for a period of one (1) month(s).



Applicant:



claims small entity status. See 37 C.F.R. §1.27.

☒ is other than small entity


	<b><u>Extension Months</u></b>	<b><u>Other Than Small Entity</u></b>	<b><u>Small Entity</u></b>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	One Month	\$120.00	\$60.00
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- ☒ Attached is a check for \$120 for the Petition fee.
- ☐ Attached is a credit card authorization form for \$\_\_\_\_\_ for the Petition fee.
- ☐ Charge Petition fee to Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this Petition is attached.
- ☒ Charge any additional fee required or credit for any excess fee paid to Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this Petition is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: February 11, 2005

  
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